Montana Land Cover Atlas

4211 Western Hemlock

DOMINANT SPECIES

Western Hemlock (Tsuga heterophylla)



DESCRIPTION

Conifer forest dominated by western hemlock (Tsuga heterophylla) with 20-100% cover. Associated shrub species: bunchberry (Cornus canadensis), thimbleberry (Rubus parviflorum) twin flower (Linnaea borealis). Associated grass and forb species: queens cup beadlily (Clintonia uniflora).

TOTAL AREA 20,940 hectares 1,990 patches 0.05 % of state

ELEVATION 689 - 1968 m range 1253 m mean

STATE RANGE

Occurs only in western Montana. Usually located near or in riparian areas at low elevation forested sites.

